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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Director's Conversation with Chairman George Mahon,  
House Appropriations Committee

1. Today the Director told me of a conversation he had just had with Chairman Mahon who explained that Representative William Minshall and some of the other members of the Special Group wanted an "updated" briefing on the world situation. Mahon told the Director he did not want him to read a prepared statement but to come up and "talk it over informally."

2. Accordingly, I arranged with Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant, that the Director would meet with Mr. Mahon and the Special Group at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 2 August in room H-140 in the Capitol. The Director discussed subjects with [REDACTED] Carl Duckett and me and it was agreed he would cover Indochina (Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia), Soviet, ChiCom and French nuclear testing and weapons development, the Middle East situation (including Soviet withdrawal), developments in the Gulf area including SA-3 delivered to Iraq, the Ghandi/Bhutto meeting, and Cuba.

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